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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request information regarding the status of the above captioned Patent Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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